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[CHAPTER 348]

AN ACT

August 1, 1941 [S. 505] [Public Law 202]

Government, etc., employees ordered to active military or na-val duty. Compensation or modifications credit for leave. Public Law 517, 77th Congress.

Making provision for payment of employees of the United States Government, its Territories or possessions, or the District of Columbia, for accumulated or accrued annual leave when ordered to active duty with the military or naval forces of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That employees of the United States Government, its Territories or possessions, or the District of Columbia (including employees of any corporation created under authority of an Act of Congress which is either wholly controlled or wholly owned by the United States Government, or any corporation, all the stock of which is owned or controlled by the United States Government, or any department, agency, or establishment thereof, whether or not the employees thereof are paid from funds appropriated by Congress), who have heretofore or who may hereafter be ordered to active duty with the military or naval forces of the United States shall be entitled to receive, in addition to their military pay, compensation in their civilian positions covering their accumulated or current accrued leave or to elect to have such leave remain to their credit until their return from active military or naval service.

Approved, August 1, 1941.

[CHAPTER 352]

AN ACT

August 11, 1941 [H. R. 4671] (Public Law 203)

To authorize a plant-protection force for naval shore establishments, and for other purposes.

Naval shore establishments. Plant-protection force authorized.

Supervision.

Appropriation authorized

Personnel provi-

42 Stat. 1488. 5 U. S. C. §§ 661-674. Ante, p. 613.

Provino.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to establish a plant-protection force for naval shore establishments, and to maintain and operate the same until June 30, 1943, unless Congress shall have, in the meantime, by concurrent resolution, declared such a force no longer necessary. The duty of this force shall be to investigate any existing or threatened espionage or sabotage or subversive or other activities contrary to the interests of the United States in and to the naval shore establishments. The force will be under the general supervision of the Director of the Office of Naval Intelligence under rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Navy.

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum not to exceed \$1,000,000 annually to effectuate the purposes of this Act, including salaries, travel, clothing, weapons, motor-propelled vehicles and their maintenance, and any other necessary equipment and supplies.

Sec. 3. The civilian in charge of the force herein authorized, together with the other personnel thereof, may be appointed by the Secretary of the Navy in accordance with civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, or otherwise as he may elect, the civilian in charge to receive a salary at a rate not to exceed \$7,500 per annum, the salaries of the other personnel to be in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923, as amended: Provided, That any person appointed to the force who is employed in the civil service at the time of such appointment shall retain his civil-service status for all purposes and shall suffer no reduction in pay by reason of such appointment.

Approved, August 11, 1941.